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MEMORANDUM FOR THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, NATIONAL FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE BOARD

SUBJECT:

Proposed DCID 1/XX, "Uniform Procedures for Administrative Handling and Accountability of Sensitive Compartmented

Information (SCI)

Reference is made to your memorandum of 21 December 1977 regarding the above-mentioned subject.

My only comment with respect to the proposed DCID 1/XX is that it does not take into account the promulgation of the new Executive Order soon to replace EO 11652. Indeed, the latest draft of the Order imposes new requirements on the DCI to review and approve "special access" restrictions, i.e., compartments, on a periodic basis. The new Order would obviously require some revision of the proposed DCID, if it were adopted now.

A more prudent course would be to delay action on the proposed DCID until the new Executive Order on security classification has been issued. At that time an analysis should be made of any changes in the proposed DCID necessitated thereby.

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